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2. RABBI THEODORE FRIEDMAN OF SOUTH ORANGE, NEW JERSEY (PRESENTLY RESIDING IN JERUSALEM) AND HIS SON RABBI HILLEL FRIEDMAN OF SPRING VALLEY, NEW YORK, VISITED JACOBO TIMERMAN ON THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 30. THEY FOUND HIM IN REASONABLY GOOD SPIRITS BUT DETERMINED TO BEGIN A HUMGER CAMPAIGN ON APRIL 16 IF HE IS NOT RELEASED. THE VISITORS AND RABBI MARSHALL MEYER, WHO WAS WITH THEM, TRIED TO DISSUADE HIM. (EMBASSY COMMENT: THEY GENERALLY SHARE EMBASSY VIEW THAT IF INDEED THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT IS ABOUT TO FREE TIMERMAN ACTION TO FORCE THIS QUICKLY MIGHT LEAD TO A NEGATIVE DECISION -- RATHER THAN GOA'S APPEARING TO BOW UNDER PRESSURE.)

3. THEODORE FRIEDMAN SAID HE PLANNED TO TELEPHONE PAT DERIAN ON HIS RETURN TO NEW JERSEY (HE LEFT 4/1) TO DISCUSS HIS VISIT AND THE TIMERMAN CASE FURTHER. TIMERMAN COMMENTED DURING VISIT HE WOULD ALSO LIKE

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